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Athena, Oregon.

MASS MEETING HELD

Weston Citizens Sign Statement to Legislature.

ARGUE AGAINST RE-LOCATION

Comparison as Made Between Weston and Pendleton Leaves Much In Favor of Former.

The Miller bill, proposing the re-location of the Eastern Oregon State Normal school at Pendleton has brought forth an accurate statement to the legislature, signed by Weston citizens, in mass meeting. The statement alleges much in favor of Weston, the present home of the school, over Pendleton, and in part is as follows:

"The Eastern Oregon State Normal School was established in 1885 and is the second oldest normal in the state, ranking next to the Monmouth school. Until the present session of the legislature there has been no question of re-locating the school and it has received support at each successive session since receiving its first appropriation in 1893. It has now a larger attendance and is in a more flourishing condition than at any period of its history, and promises to grow into a splendid institution if left undisturbed. We would therefore ask why re-location should be considered as advisable at this late day.

"The school's plant is worth \$100,000 at a conservative valuation, of which amount property to the value of \$10,000 has been at different times contributed by the community of Weston, which has never failed in loyalty to the school. Should the plant be abandoned it would be absolutely worthless to the state for any other purpose, and the state itself would be guilty of a gross breach of faith with the community of Weston.

"Weston is located in a thickly settled agricultural district and is easily accessible from all parts of Eastern Oregon. Two mail trains each way daily pass this point, which is only twenty miles distant from Pendleton, to which city it is proposed to move the school because of its 'better railway and mail facilities and more central location.'

"We would respectfully point out that no other consideration than the

above is urged in Pendleton's favor, and that much is left unsaid which has an important bearing upon the question at issue. We deem it only proper to supply the omissions."

Then follows a brief comparison of the moral and sanitary conditions of the two towns. Proceeding the statement reads:

"We have known of no expression of discontent from the people of Eastern Oregon as to the present location of the Weston Normal; and we believe that the legislature would be without warrant in moving the institution. We have knowledge of no 'effort' on the part of Baker City or La Grande to secure the school, no bills have been introduced in their behalf, and we believe that Pendleton's solicitude toward securing the school herself in order to prevent it from leaving Umatilla county is without adequate foundation—especially as Umatilla is among the richest and most populous agricultural districts. It is among 'the agricultural class that normal students who desire to become teachers are chiefly recruited.

"Finally we ask you to consider the terms of the act of the legislature passed in 1893, 'providing for the normal school at Weston.' The initial section of this act reads as follows: (Page 1191, Section 3490, Bellinger & Cotton's Code.)

"Said normal school is hereby created and established upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned and provided in this act. The school is hereby permanently located at Weston, Oregon."

"It was the manifest intention of this act that the school should be 'permanently located' at Weston; and to re-locate it now for no good and sufficient reason would be a breach of faith on the part of the commonwealth, as well as rendering useless a valuable school plant. Such action would never be justifiable unless authorized by the will of the people expressed at the polls under the initiative and referendum campaign against the general appropriation bill. Its endorsement by a majority of 17,160 votes would certainly indicate that the people are not dissatisfied with the present location of the different normal schools. Every Eastern Oregon county gave a large majority for the appropriation bill, which affords convincing evidence that Eastern Oregon is content with the present location of its single state institution."

HATS TAKEN OFF IN CHURCH

Walla Walla Parson Introduces New Rule for Women.

Rev. James Reid of the First Presbyterian church of Walla Walla sprung a surprise on the women in his congregation Sunday night, and for a time it looked as though the situation might be such as to call for stern action by the pastor, or the abandonment of a new rule, which he desired to enforce.

After the concert by the Sunday school orchestra and the offering, the pastor announced that before proceeding with his discourse all women would be given an opportunity to remove their hats. A look of surprise came over the faces of those wearing hats, and while some commenced to

A Woman's Back

Has many aches and pains caused by weakness and falling, or other displacement of the pelvic organs. Other symptoms of female weakness are frequent headache, dizziness, imaginary specks or dark spots floating before the eyes, gnawing sensation in stomach, dragging or bearing down in lower abdominal or pelvic region, disagreeable drains from pelvic organs, faint spells with general weakness.

If any considerable number of the above symptoms are present there is no remedy that will give quicker relief or a more permanent cure than Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It has a record of over forty years of cure. It is the most potent invigorating tonic and strengthening nerve known to medical science. It is made of the glyceric extracts of native medicinal roots found in our forests and contains not a drop of alcohol or harmful, or habit-forming drugs. Its ingredients are all printed on the bottle-wrapper and attested under oath as correct.

Every ingredient entering into "Favorite Prescription" has the written endorsement of the most eminent medical writers of all the several schools of practice—more valuable than any amount of non-professional testimonials—though the latter are not lacking, having been contributed voluntarily by grateful patients in numbers to exceed the endorsements given to any other medicine extant for the cure of woman's ills.

You cannot afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for this well proven remedy of known composition, even though the dealer may make a little more profit thereby. Your interest in regaining health is paramount to any selfish interest of his and it is an insult to your intelligence for him to try to palm off upon you a substitute. You know what you want and it is his business to supply the article called for.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original "Little Liver Pills" first put up by old Dr. Pierce over forty years ago, much imitated but never equaled. Little sugar-coated granules—easy to take as candy.

comply with the request, and were thanked in advance by the pastor. There were two or three who did not seem inclined to be in a hurry. Finally all but one elderly woman near the center of the church removed hats, while she sat motionless, lips firmly closed and a look of stern determination upon her face.

The pastor stood waiting suggesting that oftentimes a very small woman with a big hat obstructed the view of several persons behind her, and that he had often experienced the annoyance of being compelled to forego a view of the pulpit and speaker. Finally the suspense became painful and the concentrated gaze of the entire congregation upon the plucky little woman with a rebellious spirit was more than she could withstand, and slowly she began to remove the pins that fastened her head gear. The objectionable hat was slowly removed and placed in her lap, when the good man proceeded with his discourse.

SPOKANE PLANS A NEW STATE

Will Call Convention to Meet in That City in March.

The holding of a convention in Spokane in March, says a dispatch, to discuss the plan of the new state of Lincoln is definitely proposed by F. H. Mason and C. H. Moore, very prominent business men, who ask that the Spokane chamber of commerce issue a call to all commercial bodies. The plan contemplates extending the south boundary of Washington through Idaho, thus constituting the south boundary of the new state. Montana would be the east boundary, British Columbia the north boundary, and the west, instead of being the Cascade mountains should be an extension of the east boundary of California, the 12th parallel of latitude. This would leave Wenatchee and North Yakima and Ellensburg in the state of Washington, of which Olympia is the capital.

Possible opposition from Idaho to the proposed plan will be met by extending the present boundary west to meet the same parallel that now constitutes the east boundary of California; thus all that portion of the present state of Oregon bounded on the south by Nevada would be added to Idaho. Idaho would gain more territory than she loses and be more symmetrical. No opposition is anticipated from south Idaho on the proposed basis as it would gain such cities as Baker, La Grande and Pendleton.

Oregon and Washington would be the only states to suffer serious loss of territory and opposition from the west part of these states would have to be overcome by the promoters of the state of Lincoln.

Pleaded Not Guilty.

In the circuit court Wednesday morning A. D. Rhonimus entered a plea of not guilty to the charge against him, that of the murder in the second degree, says the E. O. The old gentleman was represented by Judge James A. Fee, and after the prisoner had pleaded his attorney asked that the case be deferred as he could not do justice to his client should the case have to go to trial at once. Regarding the postponement no definite action was taken by the court, but the matter will come up again next week.

Installation of Officers.

The following officers of Mignonette Lodge No. 86, Rebekahs, were installed Tuesday evening by Miss Mae Gross, district deputy: Mary Sharp, Noble Grand; Lola Payne, Vice Grand; Mattie Hill, Secretary; Carrie Sharp, Treasurer; Jennie Gross, Financial Secretary. After installation ceremonies, refreshments were served.

R. L. Brittain Prostrate.

R. L. Brittain, father of little Cecil Brittain, who so mysteriously disappeared from a camp at Tollgate in the Blue mountains last summer is seriously ill at his home in Walla Walla of pneumonia.

FOUR PER CENT

Is your idle money earning you four per cent? You have just as good a right to a share of the profits earned by your money as the banker who keeps it for you. We divide the profits with our depositors and still make a satisfactory profit for the bank. Our business has more than doubled during the past year. This bank has a capital of \$100,000 fully paid in and is conservatively managed by progressive and successful business men. Your business will receive prompt and careful attention. We will be glad to meet you any time and get acquainted with you.

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SNOW HURRIED OFF

Portland's "Silver Thaw" Beat on a City Block.

O. R. & N. DEPOT INUNDATED

Floods Caused by Snow Melting in Fields—Cellars Flooded and Railroads Damaged.

The worst flood in years struck Athena yesterday. The high water was not in the nature of a mountain torrent, Wild Horse Creek above town, being at its normal stage. The high water was caused by eight inches of snow melting in the fields and rushing off on frozen ground. It was simply a sudden thaw, a thaw that has Portland's "Silver thaw" faded by a city block.

Wednesday night a gentle rain and chinook wind melted the snow on the foot hills east of town. In that locality the water evidently seeped into the ground for there was no freshets from that source. In the valley, before the late snowfall, the ground was frozen. Wednesday morning the sun came out and a warm wind from the south fanned the snow fields.

At 10 o'clock the fields surrounding Athena, were a mass of slush and at noon they had been turned into a sheet of water. The water came with a rush over the frozen soil, and a small river was soon sweeping Main street from the east.

The flood came so quickly that property owners were taken unawares and before it could be diverted across the head of Main street, the cellars of the Fair Department store and the four saloon buildings on the north side of the street had been flooded.

The water backed up by the grade at the intersection of Main and Third streets, came within a half inch of rushing into the Manasse store building.

Several cellars in the north part of the city and the basement of the Preston residence were flooded. At one o'clock the flood from the east had spent its force.

At six o'clock the crest of the greatest flood over known in Athena came down the flat and struck the town from the north. The Preston-Parson Milling plant was surrounded by water two feet deep. This was caused by a recent fill of a bridge on the O. R. & N. near the mill, which backed the water and made a lake covering several acres.

The only outlet for the water was between the embankments of the O. R. & N. and the W. & C. R. tracks with the big mill in the center. Through this course the waters rushed with a roar. Past the mill on both sides, down the main lines of the two roads, the waters rushed, converging at the lower end of Main street, swamping the O. R. & N. depot and covering the platform with mud and debris.

Passenger train No. 8, in charge of Conductor McGilvery, which got only as far as Downing Station Wednesday morning and returned here, was standing on a siding north of the passenger depot. The water, swirling under a big warehouse along side the train caused the crew to move the coaches still further north for safety in event the building should be undermined and collapse.

Both the W. & C. R. and O. R. & N. tracks are considerably damaged here. There are three washouts between this city and Adams, though not of a serious nature. Below Adams the condition of the track is reported destructive and a freight engine, caboose and crew are laid up at Adams. No. 41, the mixed train, stands between two bad washouts at the Steen ranch on Dry Creek. Passenger train No. 7, due here last evening turned back at Riparia. All trains south of Snake river have been annulled, floods having destroyed track-ages in the upper country. Last night a washout was reported on the main line at Barnhart, west of Pendleton.

How to Cure Chills.

"To enjoy freedom from chills," writes John Kemp, East Otisfield, Me., "I apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Have also used it for salt rheum with excellent results." Guaranteed to cure fever sores, indolent ulcers, piles, burns, wounds, frost bites and skin diseases. 25c at McBride's drug store.

Attended Weston Lodge.

Nine Pythian Knights, good and true, chartered a bobbed and four-hand Wednesday evening, and dropped over the hill into Weston for a few hours visit with the brethren of Stevens Lodge K. of P. The boys report a fine time going and coming, and while there,